



VISITOR ATTRACTIONS, TOURS & ACTIVITIES

TOUR ACTIVITY



DUBLIN DISCOVERY TRAILS

www.dublindiscoverytrails.com

Unlock the treasures and stories of Ireland's capital city with the Dublin Discovery Trails, a new series of free, selfguided walking trails. Let magical tales of the city's colourful past weave their spell as you wander from trail to trail, each one accessible when you download the Dublin Discovery Trails app. There are eight Discovery Trails app. There are eight Discovery Trails available to download: Rebellion; Story of Dublin; Echoes of War; Empire; The 'Real' Dublin trail; The Dubline and two new trails focused on the northside of Dublin.



DUBLIN WHISKEY EXPERIENCE

www.dublinwhiskeyexperience.ie

Whiskey tasting has taken on a whole new dimension with the launch of The Dublin Whiskey Experience. This unique tour takes you deep into the heart of Ireland's capital to sample some of the finest Irish whiskeys, and gives you a flavour of the real Dublin along the way.

With Gareth Downey as your whiskey guide, his vast experience in the Irish hospitality industry will give you a truly unique experience in whiskey tastings around Dublin.

There are three tours to choose from, each one combining the personal touch with expert knowledge and authentic feel of old Dublin – the perfect blend for whiskey lovers.



DUBLIN GARDEN TRAIL

www.dublingardens.com

The Dublin Garden Trail brings together 12 of the most distinguished private gardens in the greater Dublin area. Some of them are world famous; while others are secret treasures. They range from historic estate gardens to contemporary design gems. What makes these gardens special is that visitors receive a personal tour by the dedicated owners who will reveal the garden's magic. A warm welcome awaits you in each of these beautiful gardens. Visitors go home energised and full of ideas for their own garden.



14 HENRIETTA STREET

Opening September 2018 www.14henriettastreet.ie

Dating from the 1720s, Henrietta Street in Dublin's North inner city is the most intact collection of early to mid-18 century aristocratic townhouses in Ireland. 14 Henrietta Street like many others was divided into tenement flats in 1877, with some 100 people living under its roof by 1911. The museum tells the story of the building and the people that lived over the years. It also seeks to help you deepen your understanding of the history of urban life and housing in Ireland during this time.



Opening spring 2019 www.moli.ie

The Museum of Literature Ireland - MoLI - is Dublin's newest cultural institution and visitor attraction. Named after James Joyce's most famous female character, Molly Bloom, the museum combines modern interactive exhibitions and incredible rare literary collections, set in one of Dublin's most spectacular historic houses on St. Stephen's Green. Exhibitions will include spectacular Joyce artefacts from the State collections - a must see is Joyce's own copy of Ulysses, a modern day Book of Kells and the most important novel of the 20th century. Visitors can self-guide or join lively tours, pick up exclusive souvenirs in the museum shop and rest a while with an Irish breakfast or lunch in our café, set in Dublin's most beautiful private gardens in the heart of the city centre, just 2 minutes walk from Grafton Street.



NATIONAL GALLERY OF IRELAND

www.nationalgallery.ie/thursday-latessummer-city

The National Gallery of Ireland has started a yearlong (June 2018 - June 2019) collaboration with creative and talented Tropical Popical, a nail salon in Dublin. Tropical Popical nail artists will design and create custom nail art at the first of the new series of 'Thursday Lates' events within the Gallery space. The 'TropPopettes' will also be part of the Gallery's Culture Night celebrations (Friday 21 September) and many more significant events. These one-of-a-kind nail designs are also available to purchase in the Tropical Popical salon on South William Street, see tropicalpopical.com for further details.

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SEAMUS HEANEY: LISTEN NOW AGAIN

www.nli.ie/seamusheaney

A major exhibition on Seamus Heaney opened recently in the new Bank of Ireland Cultural and Heritage Centre on Westmoreland Street, Dublin 2. The exhibition will draw on the writer's extensive literary archive; which was donated to the NLI in 2011, and on archives held by Emory University. It will feature Heaney's original manuscripts as well as letters, unpublished works, diary entries, photographs, broadsides and multi-media recordings. Seamus Heaney: Listen Now Again will be the first exhibition to be housed in the new Cultural and Heritage Centre, and it will run for at least three years. Admission is free.



TALKING STATUES

www.talkingstatuesdublin.ie

11 of Dublin's most famous statues have been given the gift of the gab! Pass a Talking Statue, swipe your smartphone on a nearby plaque and presto, get a call back from James Joyce (written by Roddy Doyle and voiced by Gabriel Byrne), Oscar Wilde (written by John Banville and voiced by Andrew Scott), or Fidelity on the O'Connell Monument (written by Paula Meehan and voiced by Ruth Negga)! Each has a story to tell. Together, they tell Dublin's story. Using drama, humour and location technology, Talking Statues breathes new life into the statues that surround us. Some approaches are dramatic, others comic and others flights of pure fantasy. All aim to persuade the public to look at the statues with new eyes. To hear the statues speak, just bring your phone and pay them a visit!



THE BALLAD TOUR

www.balladtours.com

Join an esteemed balladeer who will take you through streets board and narrow, singing the tragedies and comedies that took place in Dublin. Discover the hidden stories behind landmark buildings and learn about the people and history in the best possible way, through song!



THE O'CONNELL TOWER, GLASNEVIN CEMETERY

www.glasnevinmuseum.ie

Recently opened in April this year, The O'Connell tower marks the final resting place of one of Ireland's greatest political leaders and founder of Glasnevin Cemetery, Daniel O'Connell (1755-1847). In 1971 the tower's staircase was destroyed by a bomb and this project by Glasnevin Trust in conjunction with the Office of Public Works has resulted in the reinstallation of these stairs and the opportunity to view Dublin from one of the city's most recognisable landmarks.

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THE VAULTS (COMING SOON)

www.thevaultsdublin.com

THE VAULTS® is a spectacular new 60-minute actor-led journey through 800 years of Ireland's juiciest history. The audience is led through a series of scenes in Irish history, where doorways lead to other times and other worlds. Aimed at a universal audience, the journey blends live performance with thrilling special effects, dark humour, moments of pure pantomime fun and lots of audience participation, guaranteeing an unforgettable and thrilling experience.



WHISKEY ISLAND

www.whiskeyisland.ie

Whiskey Island offers a menu of fully escorted whiskey trails and distillery tours to Ireland's 20 distilleries and whiskey stops. Their Dublin tour takes in the Celtic Whiskey Shop where visitors can browse the vast stocks of whiskeys before taking a journey through ages revealing the origins of Irish whiskey in the Irish Whiskey Museum. By then you'll be ready to visit an actual working distillery, Teelings Whiskey in historic Dublin Liberties. Finish off with a tour of Jameson Distillery Bow St., one of the most popular attractions in Dublin.





DUBLIN SNAPSHOT











Fáilte Ireland supported festivals and

events in 2018



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Distilleries & Breweries



RESTAURANTS, CAFÉS AND BARS

BAO HOUSE

www.facebook.com/BaoIreland/

Some may know Bao Now which pops up at markets on the Mespil Road and Spencer Dock, but now we have Bao House on Aungier Street. Serving bao buns, a speciality associated with Taiwan, Bao House go the extra mile and make their own from scratch.

BERLIN-D2

www.twitter.com/@BerlinCafeD2

Berlin-d2, now located on Dame Lane, continues the legacy of the original, channelling European coffee house vibes and providing quality tunes.

BEWLEY'S CAFÉ

www.bewleys.com

Following a multi-million euro refurbishment, this much-loved café has been restored to create a bigger, brighter and better-than- ever customer experience. As well as serving the very best coffees and teas, many elements of the original café have been carefully restored including the Harry Clarke windows, the historic front façade of the café and the open fireplaces. There are also many new additions to the café including the complete refurbishment of Johnson's Court and an expanded in-café bakery which will allow visitors to see some of Europe's finest pastry chefs and bakers create the unique and delicious treats on offer, including the beautiful Bewley's Café Gourmand, Coffee Opera Cake and, original favourite, the Bewley's Mary Cake.

BOEUF

www.boeuf.ie

Boeuf opened in late 2017 on South William Street. Serving prime Irish beef with a French flare, this is a casual steakhouse serving food in a welcoming and relaxed setting.

BONSAI BAR

www.thebonsaibar.com

This is Dylan McGrath's newest venture, located in the former Bar Rustic, above the Rustic Stone and below Taste. McGrath worked with two Japanese mixologists to create a bespoke cocktail menu, alongside serving high-end Japanese-influenced food you'll also find an unrivalled list of Japanese whiskeys, beers and sake.

BREAD 41

www.breadnation.ie

Bread Nation is an Organic bakery located in Dublin 2. Specialising in long fermented bready, made using traditional methods and just a few simple ingredients; flour, salt and water. Early September will see the opening of their very own bakery/ eatery, Bread 41 which will be located next to their bakery on Pearse Street. Their kitchen will be serving up fresh lunch and breakfast options using local and seasonal produce.

BRESSON

www.bresson.ie

Bresson brings a new fine dining option to Monkstown and South County Dublin. Named after photographer Henri Cartier-Bresson, this restaurant is a collaboration between classic, old-school French cuisine that draws on their experience and love of local produce.





BUJO

www.bujo.ie

A fast-food restaurant for adults. The menu is simple; three choices of burger and two sides, washed down with a milkshake, house beer or wine.

CLANBRASSIL HOUSE/ CLANBRASSIL COFFEE SHOP

www.clanbrassilhouse.com

Clanbrassil House is a casual little restaurant on the ground floor of an old restored house on Upper Clanbrassil Street in Dublin 8. Their focus is on seasonal small plates and the best of Ireland's produce cooked over a woodfired grill. Right beside it you will find the newly opened Clanbrassil Coffee Shop. It's a small but great little place and already well known for its delicious coffee and pastries, especially the Paris Brest.

FISHTALK

www.fishbone.ie/menu/fishtalk-bar

A brand new addition to Fishbone in Clontarf. Combining its breath-taking sea views with delicious wines on tap and a very carefully created bites menu.

GLOVERS ALLEY

www.gloversalley.ie

Following an extensive revamp, the former home of Thorntons Restaurant has been transformed into Glover Alley, led by Michelin star chef, Andy McFadden. Andy's menus feature French-influenced elegance but with a light, natural touch. The luxurious décor, dotted with golden fixtures and marble tops perfectly complement its high end menu.

GRANTHAMS

www.granthams.ie

Granthams opened their second café in Camden Market not far from the hustle and bustle of Camden Street. With award winning baristas, and delicious food, all in a simple and serene space you can relax in.

HAPPY OUT CAFÉ

www.happyout.ie

Escape to Bull Island, north of the city centre, and chill out whilst sipping on some lovely speciality coffee from Roaster Brown and tasty homemade toasties courtesy of the Happy Out Café.

76% of visitors to Dublin are here for the first time/24% repeat



HEY DONNA

www.heydonna.ie

Hey Donna in Rathmines is brought to you by Jo Macken of Jo'Burger, Crackbird and Skinflint. The aim is to serve food which is fresh and full of flavour, with vegetables taking centre stage with French, Moorish and Middle Eastern influences.

Croke Park's Hill 16 was constructed from the rubble left in Sackville Street (now O'Connell Street) after the 1916 Rising. Croke Park is the 3rd largest sports stadium in Europe with a capacity of 82,300!

HOST

www.hostrestaurant.ie

The owners of Host are bringing a little taste of the casual London dining scene to Ranelagh. Having opened late last year, this intimate and minimalist eatery is all about small plates and quality cuts.

LEGIT

www.legitcoffeeco.com

This popular café has expanded north of the River Liffey, to its second home in Phibsborough. With its hipster décor and fabulous coffee, this is set to be another hit with coffee lovers on the northside.

LE PAIN QUOTIDIEN

www.lepainquotidien.ie

With over 200 stores across the world, the New York-headquartered Le Pain Quotidien, which translates as 'The Daily Bread', recently opened on Molesworth Street. Offering breakfast right through to dinner and drinks, this is the perfect place to relax and unwind.

LOOSE CANON CHEESE AND WINE

https://www.facebook.com/ Loose-Canon-Cheese-and-Wine-249805069150105/

From the team behind Meet Me in the Morning comes Loose Canon Cheese and Wine on Drury Street. With a focus on natural wines and cheese, served in a chic space it's a cheese and wine lovers dream.

LUCKY'S

www.luckys.ie

Lucky's is one of the newest additions to Meath Street and the Liberties area. This new craft bar has a great vibe. It operates as a café bar early in the day but quietly gets busier at night with the addition of some funky tunes.

MAD EGG

www.madegg.ie

Mad Egg is a new trendy eatery on Camden Street that offers a simple but mighty menu. With six burger options on the menu, from sweet to spicy and some veggies, they have something to suit everyone.

Dublin's Ha'Penny Bridge is thus called because pedestrians had to pay a half penny toll to walk over it

MASA

www.facebook.com/masadublin/

Created by Tom Glesson, owner of Bunsen, Masa replaces Super Miss Sue on Stephen Street, Dublin 2. Specialising in tacos, burritos and small plates this is the ideal spot for a casual, quick and tasty bite to eat with friends.

MULLIGAN AND HAINES

www.mulliganandhaines.ie

Formerly Sweeny's, Mulligan and Haines creates a unique connection between the past and present, drawing inspiration from Chapter 10 of Joyces' Ulysses. With a focus on gourmet sandwiches and baked goods all washed down with delicious craft beers and cocktails.

NIGHTMARKET

www.nightmarket.ie

The newest addition to Ranelagh's exciting thoroughfare, Nightmarket introduces authentic Thai dishes to this Dublin suburb. With original Thai ingredients cooked with the very best of fresh Irish produce, their dishes are packed with big punch flavours, and tasty food that will satisfy all.

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Kavanagh's pub in Glasnevin (also known as the Gravediggers) has been run by the same family since 1833. The pub gains its nickname from its location next to Glasnevin graveyard, where the gravediggers used to knock on the back wall of the pub to ask for a pint which would then be served through a hole in the wall linking the pub and the graveyard

NKD PIZZA

www.nkdpizza.ie

Offering pizza that's all about the base, NKD Pizza opened its first Irish store in Rathgar recently. Free from processed grains, their healthy pizza won't leave you with that bloated feeling.

NUTBUTTER

www.nutbutter.ie

Nutbutter is the latest addition to Grand Canal Dock, offering a plant-based but not vegetarian menu. Their menu aims to be accessible to everyone, it's healthy food that tastes good and it just happens to be mostly plant-based. It's open from 7.30am till 9.30pm therefore has everything from breakfast through to lunch and dinner on offer.

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PANG RESTAURANT

www.lovepang.ie

Dublin's first rice paper roll restaurant Pang is now open on Kevin Street Lower, and is bringing the popular food trend in Sydney and Melbourne to our own fair city. Just like sushi, it's a chilled product that's super healthy - this is creative nourishment with Vietnamese inspo at its core.

ΡΙ

www.pipizzas.ie

Serving wood-fired pizza, Pi is Dublin's newest pizza offering, located on South Great George's Street. The man behind it all is Reg White, intent on making Pi the best pizza in Dublin. It's worth checking out.

SALT & STOVE

www.saltandstove.ie

A small independent delicatessen located in what's becoming somewhat of a foodie hub, on Clanbrassil Street. From fine cheeses and organic smoked salmon to fancy chocolate and highquality coffee beans. This is a deli which puts an emphasis on the work of Irish artisan producers.

SOLE SEAFOOD AND GRILL

www.sole.ie

Bringing the best seafood in Dublin to the city centre. Sole offers a high-end casual dining experience. Belfast based designer Graham Barrow was behind the design, with a warm chic interior, bronze and grey tones and a bar designed to look like a Victorian paddle steamer, this is a destination dining venue.



Some famous graduates of Trinity College are Bram Stoker, Dscar Wilde and Jonathan Swift

STELLA CINEMA

www.stellatheatre.ie

The iconic Stella Theatre in Rathmines now has a new diner to pair with its unique cinema offering. The spacious diner serves up all of the Americana classics with a twist of modern charm.

THE BATHS CLONTARF

www.thebaths.ie

The 132-year-old Clontarf Seawater Baths, Dublin opened to the public in February this year. The main restaurant can provide covers for 160 with a further 90 seats on a weather-proofed outside terrace, both with panoramic views of Dublin Bay.

The phrase 'chancing your arm' originated in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin, where you had to put your hand into a hole to open the Medieval Chapter House door

THE BELFRY

www.facebook.com/ TheBelfryStoneybatter

Located in Stoneybatter, The Belfry has reopened after years of lying idle. It has undergone a complete transformation, with sleek, modern cosy interiors. This is a great bar, lively at the weekend with good DJs and music.

THE COACH HOUSE CAFÉ

www.newbridgehouseandfarm.com/ coffee-shop

Whilst visiting Newbridge House and Farm, a hidden gem in rural Fingal, stop off for a tea/coffee in their new café, The Coach House.

THE FOURTH CORNER

www.fourthcorner.ie

The Fourth Corner opened its doors on Dublin 8's lively Kevin Street. The bar's name pays homage to the name given to one of the most infamous junctions of Dublin, 'The Four Corners of Hell', known as one of the most raucous and rowdy of its day with four pubs, one on each corner and each with its own character and clientele.

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THE GARDEN OF VEGAN

www.thegardenofvegan.ie

Brought to you by Sharon Shannon, this is a fully dedicated vegan, gluten free restaurant based in Ranelagh. Sharon has a passion not just for music but also the welfare and protection of animals, which led to the development of The Garden of Vegan.

THE GRAYSON

www.thegrayson.ie

Known most recently as private members club The Residence, hospitality group Press Up have renovated this iconic townhouse and given it a new lease of life as an eating and partying venue. Set to open the end of August, The Grayson which stretches over four levels, with several bars, casual dining, corporate event spaces and a more formal restaurant on the upper floors will most definitely have something for everyone.

> Ulysses has been voted Number I in many of the world's Top 100 novels of the 20th century lists and its author, James Joyce has two museums dedicated to him, a bridge across the River Liffey and features in many of the exhibits in The Dublin Writers Museum



THE IVY

www.theivydublin.com

The Ivy Collection has crossed the Irish Sea to open its first international brasserie in the heart of Dublin on Dawson Street. Offering effortless glamour and a varied mix of classics and locally inspired dishes, The Ivy will cater for every occasion.

Abraham "Bram" Stoker who wrote the famous novel Dracula, was born in 1847 in Clontarf, a suburb of Dublin. The title of the book is said to come from the Irish words droch-fhoula (pronounced "droc-ola") which means "bad blood"

THE LEGAL EAGLE

www.thelegaleagle.ie

The Legal Eagle is brought to you by Elaine Murphy and the team behind The Woollen Mills, Winding Stair and The Yarn to name but a few. Following major refurbishment this pub has been beautifully transformed with its original features perfectly blending the old with the new. This Liffeyside institution also gets the mix of quality of craft drinks and eats just right.

THE LUCKY DUCK

www.theluckyduck.ie

Located on the corner of Aungier Street and Digges Street, this is one of the latest openings by the Press Up hospitality group. The tall, narrow building is a protected structure of architectural, historical and archaeological significance. It lay vacant for over 20 years and it was once said to have sold the cheapest pint of Guinness in Dublin in the 1980 and 1990s. It has been lovingly restored to a Victorian style pub with three floors of different drinking spots.

THE SEAFOOD CAFÉ

www.klaw.ie

Niall Sabongi's recently opened Seafood Café in Temple Bar offers Dubliners a relaxing way to enjoy a taste of the sea in the heart of the city. Offering comforting dishes such as Fish Pies, Soft Shell Crab Tacos, and Chowder. The menu is simple but features high quality, fresh ingredients.

ΤΟΚΥΟ ΚΙΤCHEN

facebook.com/TOKYOKitchenDublin Tokyo Kitchen is a tiny counter-service eatery which is slightly off the beaten track on Bow Street, Smithfield, but well worth a visit. This compact takeaway restaurant, which is basically in a fish store, opens from 11am-4pm, Tuesday to Sunday and is already doing a roaring trade.

TOMAHAWK

www.tomahawksteakhouse.ie

Located in Temple Bar, Tomahawk specialises in quality Irish beef, where the steaks are the star of the show. Offering an intimate, unique setting with a dining bar set around an open kitchen, where you can watch the theatre of a professional kitchen.



George Bernard Shaw bequeathed the royalties of his play 'Pygmalion' - better known world-wide as the musical My Fair Lady to the National Gallery of Ireland. He is also the only person in the world to have a Nobel Prize and an Oscar, both of which he received for Pygmalion

URBAN BREWING

www.urbanbrewing.ie

Located in the sleek CHQ Building in the heart of the IFSC, Urban Brewing offers a unique dining experience combining Dublin's newest microbrewery, allowing you to taste exclusive beers fresh from the tank. You can also enjoy some tapas-style dishes whilst you sample some limited edition beers.

VEGINITY

www.veginity.com

Veginity started out as a plant based street food truck based in a funky industrial warehouse in Portobello. Australian Chef Mark Senn has now opened a dedicated restaurant on Dorset Street, creating mouth-watering vegetarian and vegan food.

VOICI CRÊPERIE AND WINE BAR

www.voici-creperie.business.site

Specialising in both savoury crêpes, known as galettes, and sweet versions, Voici's relaxed atmosphere and stylish décor gives customers the feeling of being in Paris without having to step foot on a plane. In the evening, Voici transforms into a wine bar where the mood is just perfect for a date or group night out. There are a number of sharing options such as cheese plates and a Charcuterie Plate of French Spanish and Italian meats which would make for great nibbles to go with the wide selection of wine available.



ACCOMMODATION >>>

ALOFT

Opening November 2018

US hotel giant Marriott International has confirmed that it is opening a new hotel under the brand Aloft Dublin City in the Blackpitts area of the Liberties. This will be the first Aloft Hotel in Ireland, with 202 moderately priced rooms.

CLAYTON HOTEL CHARLEMONT

Opening November 2018

Clayton Hotel Charlemont will be located on the south side of the city, overlooking the iconic Grand Canal. The 4* hotel will have 189 bedrooms and will be served by Charlemont Luas stop.

DEVLIN HOTEL

Opening Autumn 2018

The Devlin, sister hotel to the Dean, is due to open in the heart of Ranelagh this autumn. Featuring a rooftop bar and restaurant, 40 stylish rooms, a ground floor bar and 50 seater subterranean cinema screening the best of classics and indie films.

IVEAGH GARDEN HOTEL

The Iveagh Garden Hotel opened on Harcourt Street earlier this year. Developed by the McGill family, who also own the Harcourt and Harrington Hotels, the 152-room property has its own source of renewable energy: a river that flows 50m below the premises.

MALDRON HOTEL KEVIN STREET

Ireland's largest hotel group, Dalata will become even bigger in 2018 with the opening of three Maldron Hotels and a Clayton Hotel. Maldron Hotel Kevin Street opened this year, bringing 140 bedrooms to this area of the city, close to St. Stephen's Green and St. Patrick's Cathedral.

41% of visitors to Dublin come from Mainland Europe, 28% USA, 20% Great Britain, 11% Germany and 6% France



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